## 2007 ART COMPETITION GUIDELINES Congressman Tim Bishop

## General Guidelines

- \* The competition is open to high school students only. A limit of four students per high school, please.
- \* In order to allow an artwork to hang in the Cannon Tunnel of the U.S. Capitol, the following restrictions are necessary:
  - \* Piece must be two-dimensional
  - \* Each piece can be no larger than 30 inches by 30 inches to the outside dimensions of the frame (change from previous years)
  - \* No more than 4 inches in depth
- \* Artwork will hang in the Capitol for the entire year of the exhibition and cannot be returned to students earlier. Students, therefore, should submit artwork they will not need for other purposes.
- \* Artwork categories are as follows:
  - \* Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.
  - \* Drawings: pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers
  - \* Collage: must be two dimensional
  - \* Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
  - \* Mixed media: use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink
  - \* Computer generated art
  - \* Photography
- \* Please submit TWO COPIES of the Student Release Form, signed by the teacher and student, with your artwork. Please attach hanging wire to the back of all artwork for the Long Island exhibition.

## Please plan to pick up all artwork on the day of the reception

\* Each entry must be an original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate any U.S copyright laws.

Note: Any entry which has been reproduced from an existing photo, painting, graphic, advertisement or any other work produced by another person is a violation of the competition rules and will not be accepted.

\* The final decision regarding the suitability of all artwork for the exhibition in the Capitol will be made by panel of qualified persons chaired by the Architect of the Capitol.

- \* Do not attach labels, ribbon, etc. to the front of the piece or underneath the glass or Plexiglas. But please put label on back of the piece and submit TWO COPIES of student release form.
- \* If the artwork is abstract in design, please indicate on the back side which side is up with arrows.
- \* Please use the largest label you have available.

Adhesive Label should include this information and be placed on back of artwork:

Member Name:
State and District:
Title of Piece:
Medium:
Student Name:
Student Address and Phone Number

## Suitability Guidelines

- \* As outlined in these guidelines, the final decision regarding suitability for exhibition in the Capitol is left to a panel of qualified persons chaired by the Architect of the Capitol. While it is not the intent to censor any artwork, we do wish to avoid artwork that is potentially inappropriate for display in the Capitol.
- \* Artwork must adhere to the policy of the House Office Building Commission. In accordance with this policy, exhibits depicting subjects of contemporary political controversy or a sensationalistic or gruesome nature are not allowed. It is necessary that all artwork be reviewed by the panel chaired by the Architect of the Capitol and any portions not in consonance with the Commission's policy will be omitted from the exhibit.